



General Assembly

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LCO No. 2084



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CONNECTICUT'S MANUFACTURING AND
TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this
2 section, "advanced manufacturing and technology certificates
3 program" means a program pursuant to which a postsecondary
4 student may take courses toward a certificate in manufacturing or a
5 technology-related industry at a regional community-technical college
6 for two days per week while simultaneously learning such industry's
7 trade from an employer, as either an employee or an apprentice, as
8 defined in section 31-22m of the general statutes, in a related
9 occupational field for the remaining three days per week.
- 10 (b) Not later than July 1, 2015, the Board of Regents for Higher
11 Education, in consultation with the Office of Higher Education, shall
12 develop an advanced manufacturing and technology certificates
13 program to serve adult learners who are pursuing a career in
14 manufacturing or a technology-related industry. Students shall
15 complete such program in not more than five consecutive semesters.

16 (c) Not later than January 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, the Board
 17 of Regents for Higher Education shall report, in accordance with the
 18 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
 19 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
 20 relating to higher education and employment advancement regarding:

21 (1) The number of students who are enrolled in the advanced
 22 manufacturing and technology certificates program;

23 (2) Each employer that is teaching a student enrolled in such
 24 program a trade that is related to the certificate such student is
 25 pursuing;

26 (3) The occupational field of each employer identified pursuant to
 27 subdivision (2) of this subsection; and

28 (4) The number of students who obtain a job upon completion of
 29 such program in the subject area of the certificate such students earned
 30 through participation in such program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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LAB *Joint Favorable*